

North East Copeland Neighbourhood Forum

**Newsletter following Forum meeting held on:
Tuesday 29 November 2011 at Lamplugh Village Hall**

**Topic 1: Rural Policing in North East Copeland
Speaker: Support Sergeant Ashley Bennett**

Ashley introduced himself and explained how following a restructure earlier in the year policing for the Forum area now operates out of the Whitehaven station.

The following items were covered:

- Benefit of team sizes and ability to work from a lap top in the car to target specific areas to tackle antisocial behaviour and target drug dealers
- Deployment of Speed Indicator Devices at Frizington
- Importance of being vigilant and reporting any incidents, especially theft heating oil and scrap metal.
- Community Messaging Service, which is completely free and very simple to sign up to and use. For more information visit www.cumbriacomunitymessaging.co.uk
- National change to non emergency telephone number to 101 which goes live Monday 12 December 2011. In an emergency always call 999.
- Copeland Bike marking events

You Said We Did...

- Following the Forum Sgt Bennett reported that local Police Officers and PCSO's have been tasked to carry out extra patrols in Cleator Moor Square, Jacktrees Park and Frizington Main Street to address young people drinking and anti-social behaviour.
- Officers investigated the mosquito devices on Cleator Moor Square which are used to deter young people from gathering there. One mosquito is now being repaired.

**Topic 2: West Cumbria Managing Radioactive Waste Safely
Partnership - DVD Presentation**

Cllr Morgan read out a briefing from the partnership, explained about the information packs and the forthcoming 12 drop-in events around Cumbria then the Forum were shown a short DVD presentation.

For more information or to request a copy of the consultation pack please get in touch:

Call free on 0800 48 8912, **email** contact@westcumbriamrws.org.uk or visit the **web site** at www.westcumbriamrws.org.uk

Please see enclosed document for questions raised at the Forum and answers.



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Issues of community concern

You raised.... Mental health problems, suicide rates and drug use in Cleator Moor

We did... Relayed concerns to the Health and Well-being department at the County Council. Mental health will be the main focus of the next Health and Well-being Strategy which is planned for June 2012. Working together for wellbeing and mental health: a strategic framework for Cumbria 2011-2014 was published in October 2011 and is available to view at www.cumbria.nhs.uk go to news-events-Cumbria's wellbeing and mental health framework launch. The full document and a summary document are available to download. If you don't have access to a computer but would like a copy, please contact the office on 01946 505020.

Blue Skies are a support group that meet every week in Cleator Moor Town Council, Tuesday and Thursday, 11am-3pm. All are welcome to stop by for a coffee and a chat. Alternatively contact the group by calling 01946 814566 or 07776464321.

The local branch of Samaritans was also contacted to pass on concerns from the Forum. As a result they plan to carry out more promotion and awareness raising of their service in Copeland, but particularly in Cleator Moor, also developing relationships with organisations in Cleator Moor.

Whatever people are going through Samaritans are there to listen and to offer a free, confidential, non-judgemental service 24 hours a day.

Contact by phone on 08457 90 90 90 or email jo@samaritans.org

Face-to face visits are also possible at the Whitehaven branch – please call to arrange.

Community Updates

- **217 Bus Service (Frizington – Cockermouth Wednesday only)**

Barbara Lamb & Gillian Moore Dean Parish Council

Gillian spoke about this services which through a great deal of partnership working has been funded by Arlecdon & Frizington, Dean and Ennerdale & Kinniside Parish Councils. Its usage has been monitored and has been excellent and future publicity is being looked into. The 217 service is provided by 3D Travel who can be contacted on **07745463037**. There are two services each way. Check times with **Traveline** on **0871 200 22 33** or visit the **website** at www.cumbria.gov.uk/buses

- **Beginners Computer Course**

A free five week basic computer course – learn how to use a computer; shop on the internet; email friends and family. Starts Monday 16th January or Friday 20th January.

For more details please contact Heather Snodden on 01946 810328 or 07803012766.



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Grant Applicant Presentations by community & voluntary organisations

Grant applicants and their supporters withdrew from the room while those remaining discussed the awards which were agreed as follows:

Mill Hill Activity Group were awarded **£500**

Frizington White Star Football Club Junior Section were awarded **£793**

Frizington White Star Football Club were awarded **£765**

Kirkland Children's Playground were awarded **£360**

Frizington Community Group were awarded **£2,300**

Cleator Moor Celtic Football Club were awarded **£3,200**

Cleator Moor Youth & Community Centre were awarded **£754**

Cleator Moor Amateur Boxing Club were awarded **£981**

Lamplugh Parish Diamond Jubilee Group were awarded **£1,000**

Exchange Corner NW were awarded **£1,000**

Howgill Family Centre were awarded **£1,200**

Topics for future meetings:

- Highways – A595 detrunking & A5086 improvements
- Broadband – Connecting Cumbria
- NHS & West Cumberland Hospital – presentation needed if the position is no clearer in the New Year. Include views of Health Service professional/Union member.
- New surgery at Cleator Moor and how it is bedding in.
- Health Issues on Cleator Moor including Alcohol and Drug abuse and Mental Health.

Date of next meeting – to be arranged in the new financial year

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